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### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PULASKI COUNTY, ARKANSAS DIVISION

STATE OF ARKANSAS, ex rel. LESLIE RUTLEDGE, ATTORNEY GENERAL

**PLAINTIFF** 

CASE NO.  $\mathbf{v}$ .

ROBERT STEVENS d/b/a PRO-PAVE ASPHALT, d/b/a ROBERT STEVENS CONSTRUCTION, and d/b/a R S ASPHALT

**DEFENDANT** 

#### COMPLAINT

The State of Arkansas, ex rel. Leslie Rutledge, Attorney General ("the State"), for its Complaint against Robert Stevens d/b/a Pro-Pave Asphalt, d/b/a Robert Stevens Construction, and d/b/a R S Asphalt (hereinafter "Stevens" or "Defendant") states:

#### I. INTRODUCTION

1. This is a consumer protection action brought to redress and restrain violations of the Arkansas Deceptive Trade Practices Act ("ADTPA"), Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-88-101 et seq., and the Home Solicitation Sales Act ("HSSA"), Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102.

LF No. 2019-0110

2. The State seeks restitution for affected consumers, an order imposing civil penalties, an injunction, and other relief against Defendant.

#### II. <u>PARTIES</u>

- 3. Plaintiff is the State of Arkansas, ex rel. Leslie Rutledge, Attorney General. Attorney General Rutledge is the chief legal officer of the State. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-88-104 and 4-88-113, the State may seek civil enforcement of the ADTPA.
- 4. Defendant, Robert Stevens d/b/a Pro-Pave Asphalt, d/b/a Robert Stevens Construction, and d/b/a R S Asphalt, is a sole proprietorship with no business registration with the Arkansas Secretary of State. Upon information and belief, Defendant is located at 6906 Manor Crest Drive, Texarkana, Arkansas 71854. At all times relevant to the circumstances alleged in the Complaint, Robert Stevens operated, controlled, and directed the business activities of Pro-Pave Asphalt, Robert Stevens Construction, and R S Asphalt, personally participating in, or ratifying the acts and practices of Defendant's employees as described in this Complaint. Therefore, he is personally, jointly, and severally liable for the deceptive acts of Pro-Pave Asphalt, Robert Stevens Construction, and R S Asphalt.

#### III. <u>JURISDICTION</u>

5. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-104 and the common law of the State of Arkansas.

<sup>1</sup> Exhibit 1, Copy of Defendant's business card.

- 6. Defendant Stevens has transacted business in the State of Arkansas within the applicable statute of limitations. This Court has jurisdiction over Stevens pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 16-4-101, which extends jurisdiction to all persons, causes of action, and claims for relief, to the maximum extent permitted by the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution. At all times relevant to this lawsuit, Defendant availed himself of the privileges of conducting activities within the State of Arkansas by selling asphalt and providing paving and resurfacing services throughout Arkansas.
- 7. Venue is proper pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-88-104, 4-88-112, 16-60-104, and the common law of the State of Arkansas.

#### IV. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 8. Consumers report that Defendant solicits business by knocking on the doors of Arkansas consumers and offering to repair their sidewalks and driveways with leftover asphalt from prior contracts at a reduced price.
- 9. Stevens then verbally quotes a price per yard of asphalt and insists that he is offering a huge discount, but fails to provide an estimate of the total price.
- 10. After completing or nearly completing the asphalt work, Stevens demands exorbitant payment amounts and reportedly, on occasion, even threatens or intimidates consumers until they agree to pay.

- 11. After the work is completed or nearing completion, Defendant provides consumers with invoices that contain vague product and service descriptions, if any, and charges "flat rates" along with the "Total Job Price."<sup>2</sup>
- 12. The invoices provide a signature line for the customer but not for the Defendant.
- 13. Despite typically completing the work on the same day as the home solicitation, Stevens fails to inform consumers of their three-day right to cancel as required by the HSSA.
- 14. Additionally, Stevens' invoices include the statement: "If customer cancels order any time after signing this contract, 25% of original payment is required for breakage. No money refunds." This policy by its terms is a direct violation of the HSSA's requirement of a three-day right to cancel.
- 15. Since 2016, the Attorney General's Office has received eight (8) unresolved complaints, six of which are from senior citizens over the age of sixty, including:
  - a. Consumer A, a 68-year-old woman from Manila, Arkansas, reported that on April 28, 2016, Stevens came to her house, told her that he had been working on paving Highway 18, and asked if he could pave her driveway. He offered to do the work for \$1,500, but she declined. She stated that he then left, but came back 30 minutes later and offered to do the job for \$1,000. Defendant claimed that his truck had blown an

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Exhibit 2, Defendant's Invoice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Exhibit 3, Consumer Complaint 16-05407.

airbag and he really needed to unload the asphalt. Consumer A agreed to pay \$1,000, but after Defendant completed the work, Stevens measured the driveway and demanded \$3,600 because "we used more asphalt." When the consumer refused to pay, Stevens dropped the price to \$3,000, followed the consumer into her home uninvited, and continued to argue about the price. Because of the pressure and intimidation Consumer A experienced from Defendant following her into her home and demanding a higher payment, she finally paid Stevens \$3,000 – three times the amount they had initially agreed to. After Consumer A disputed the payment with her credit card company, Stevens reportedly agreed to return half of the payment to the card, but ultimately failed to do so.

b. On May 26, 2017, Stevens parked his asphalt truck at Consumer B's England, Arkansas business and claimed to have some asphalt that he needed to get rid of.<sup>5</sup> According to the consumer's complaint, in order to solicit business, Defendant informed the business that he had "overlaid all the streets in Humnoke, AR." Based on this information, Consumer B agreed to pay \$4,500 for paving work at her business, but within a month, part of the pavement started falling apart. Although Defendant's contract promised a one-year guarantee, Stevens has failed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Exhibit 4, Consumer Complaint 17-06055.

to make repairs and has not returned the consumer's phone calls since July, 2017.

- c. On June 17, 2017, Stevens approached Consumer C, an 84-year-old Little Rock resident, at the consumer's home. Stevens offered to pave the consumer's driveway with leftover asphalt at a reduced price, but failed to provide a contract or an estimate, and only confused the consumer about the price and the purported discount. Consumer C ultimately made four separate payments totaling \$11,500 despite Stevens's failure to inform him of his three-day right to cancel.
- d. On June 19, 2017, Consumer D, an 87-year-old resident of Texarkana, Arkansas, was approached at his home by Defendant. Stevens told him that he had some leftover asphalt from another job that he would lay for "real cheap." Stevens claimed that he could not provide an estimate because he did not know how much asphalt he had in the truck. Stevens then went to check the asphalt in his truck while Consumer D went back inside the house. Although Consumer D and Stevens never reached an agreement on the price, Stevens began tearing up the driveway to repave it before he and the consumer had agreed on whether to begin the work at all. After the work was finished, Consumer D told Stevens that he did not currently have the money in the bank to pay. After two of Stevens' employees followed Consumer D and pressured the consumer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Exhibit 5, Consumer Complaint 17-08181.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Exhibit 6, Consumer Complaint 17-04585.

to immediately pay in full, Consumer D reluctantly gave Stevens his credit card. Stevens then charged \$5,400 to the card before delivering an invoice to Consumer D. Consumer D inspected the completed driveway and noted that Stevens: paved over the water meter lid; extended the asphalt to cover part of his neighbor's driveway; overstated the driveway measurements by at least thirty feet; and, applied the material at an inconsistent thickness ranging from 3/4 of an inch to four inches deep in some places. Consumer D, who was never apprised of his three-day right to cancel as required by Arkansas law, disputed the payment with his credit card company and filed a police report the next day.

- e. On June 26, 2017, Stevens parked his asphalt truck in front of the home of Consumer E, a 77-year-old Little Rock resident, and offered to pave her driveway with leftover asphalt from another job.<sup>8</sup> Stevens told Consumer E that he would charge \$30 per square yard of asphalt, but did not otherwise provide an estimate of the price. After paving the driveway, Stevens charged Consumer E \$4,980, without apprising her of her three-day right to cancel as required by the HSSA.
- f. On July 11, 2017, Stevens approached Consumer F, a 67-year-old resident of Mabelvale, Arkansas, while the consumer was mowing his yard. Consumer F states that two-thirds of his driveway was already

<sup>8</sup> Exhibit 7, Consumer Complaint 18-06481.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Exhibit 8, Consumer Complaint 17-04639.

paved, but that he agreed to allow Stevens to pave the remaining unpaved portion. Consumer F requested an estimate, but Stevens claimed that he could not measure the area or give an estimate until the work was finished. Contrary to the agreement and without Consumer F's permission, Stevens then repaved the entire driveway –instead of just the unpaved portion– and demanded payment of \$5,000 without informing the consumer of his three day right to cancel.

g. In July, 2019, Consumer G, a 78-year-old resident of Benton, Arkansas, noticed Defendant paving his neighbor's driveway. Consumer G then decided to walk over and ask Stevens for a quote to seal his driveway. About a week later, on July 30, Stevens stopped by Consumer G's house and claimed to have leftover material from another job that he could spread on the consumer's driveway at \$30 per yard with no labor cost. Consumer G asked how many yards of material Stevens had, but Stevens claimed that he "couldn't remove the curtains to see." One of Defendant's employees spoke with Consumer G on the other side of the house where Consumer G could not see the work, or how much asphalt was used, until the paving was nearing completion. Stevens then handed Consumer G a \$16,000 invoice, which the consumer believed was for more than what Stevens had advertised to him as "a little material left from a job." When Consumer G balked at the price, one of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Exhibit 9, Consumer Complaint 19-05738.

Defendant's employees warned that another of Stevens's employees was an ex-heavyweight boxer. Consumer G never intended to contract for \$16,000, but he was intimidated into paying the full amount without being given an opportunity to cancel. Only after a news story aired on KATV Channel 7 about his business practices did Stevens agreed to refund \$5,000, but the paying work is still incomplete, and Consumer G was charged significantly more than the advertised \$30 per yard of material.

h. On August 26, 2019, Defendant approached Consumer H at a property in Gravette, Arkansas, and offered to pave the consumer's driveway with leftover asphalt at a "steeply discounted rate." Consumer H informed Stevens that he did not own the home, but invited Stevens to follow him to his house to give a quote on paving his driveway. Before reaching an agreement, Defendant's crew started working while insisting that Consumer H would be "very happy" and that the consumer was getting a "great deal." Consumer H continued to ask for a price, but reported that he felt "a bit threatened" when trying to get information. When Stevens finished the job in approximately two hours, Stevens did some arbitrary calculations and handed Consumer H a bill for \$9,488. Consumer H protested the amount, but Defendant and his employees "got confrontational" and attempted to follow the consumer into his

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Exhibit 10, 19-05458.

house. After being unduly pressured into writing the check, Consumer H put in a "stop-payment" with his bank and contacted the police. Consumer H was not informed of his three-day right to cancel and was overcharged by a considerable amount that he never agreed to.

### V. VIOLATIONS OF LAW

### Arkansas Deceptive Trade Practices Act

- 16. The ADTPA sets forth the State's statutory framework governing deceptive, false, and unconscionable trade practices.
- 17. The business practices of Defendant constitute the sale of "goods" or "services" within the meaning of Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-102(4) and § 4-88-102(7). The same business practices constitute business, commerce, or trade within the meaning of Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-107. Defendant supplies driveway and sidewalk resurfacing goods and services to consumers in Arkansas.
- 18. Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-107(a)(1) provides that it shall be unlawful to "knowingly make a false representation as to the characteristics, uses, benefits...of goods or services..." Defendant has engaged in prohibited conduct by making false representations of the amount, thickness, price, and measurements of asphalt products.
- 19. Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-107(a)(3) provides that it shall be unlawful to advertise "the goods or services with the intent not to sell them as advertised." Defendant has engaged in prohibited conduct by offering warranties and service guarantees with no intention of honoring them.

- 20. Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-107(a)(10) provides that it shall be unlawful to engage in unconscionable, false, or deceptive acts or practices in business, commerce, or trade." Defendant has engaged in prohibited conduct by failing to provide an estimate of the price before completing the asphalt paving or resurfacing, and by misrepresenting that the goods and services were available at a special or reduced price.
- 21. Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-108(1) prohibits the "act, use, or employment by any person of any deception, fraud, or false pretense, and Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-108(2) prohibits the use of "concealment, suppression, or omission of any material fact in connection with the sale or advertisement of any goods and services." Defendant has engaged in prohibited conduct by failing to disclose the material terms of the contract, including failing to disclose the buyer's right to cancel and failing to give accurate descriptions of the goods and services purchased.

### **Home Solicitation Sales Act**

- 22. Any home solicitation sale conducted in violation of the HSSA shall constitute an unfair and deceptive act or practice as defined by Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-88-101, et seq.
- 23. Defendant conducts door-to-door sales of asphalt paving goods and services.

- 24. Defendant is a "seller" of consumer goods or services as defined by the statute, including "any person, partnership, corporation, or association engaged in the door-to-door or telephone sale of consumer goods or services."<sup>12</sup>
- 25. Asphalt is a "good" described as "tangible chattels bought primarily for personal, family, or household purposes, …including goods which, at the time of the sale or subsequently, are to be so affixed to real property as to become a part of such real property whether or not severable therefrom[.]"<sup>13</sup>
- 26. Asphalt paving and resurfacing are "services" within the meaning of the HSSA, described as "work, labor, or other services furnished primarily for personal, family, or household purposes, including, but not limited to, services in connection with the repair, alteration, or improvement of residential premises..."<sup>14</sup>
- 27. Defendant failed to comply with the requirements of Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-89-107 and 4-89-108 when Defendant failed to notify consumers of their three-day right to cancel—a requisite of the HSSA.
- 28. Defendant failed to comply with the requirements of Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-89-107 and 4-89-108 when he misrepresented the consumer's right to cancel with an invoice stating, "If customer cancels order any time after signing this contract, 25% of original payment is required for breakage. No money refunds." 15

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102(5).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102(3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102(6).

 $<sup>^{15}</sup>$  See Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102(b)(2) which defines "Misrepresenting in any manner the consumer's right to cancel" as a deceptive trade practice.

- 29. Contracts solicited by Defendant for asphalt and cement paving are unenforceable because of the following violations of the HSSA:
  - a. representing directly or indirectly that Defendant is primarily conducting or participating in any activity other than soliciting business or misrepresenting in any manner the purpose of the solicitation;<sup>17</sup>
  - b. Representing directly or indirectly that any price is a special or reduced price, unless it constitutes a significant reduction from the seller's established selling price at which the goods or services have been sold in substantial quantities in the recent and regular course of trade, or misrepresenting in any manner the savings that the consumer will receive;<sup>18</sup>
  - c. Failing to disclose clearly and unqualifiedly during the initial contact or solicitation and at all subsequent contacts or solicitations, whether by telephone, written communication, or person-to-person, that the purpose of the contact or solicitation is to sell goods or services; 19 and
  - d. Failing to disclose clearly and conspicuously, both orally and in writing in the contract:
    - (a) The total cash price;
    - (b) The down payment;
    - (c) The unpaid balance of the cash price;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102(b)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102(2)(C).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102(2)(G)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102(2)(H).

- (d) The number, amount, and due dates of payments necessary to pay
  the unpaid balance in full; and
- (e) An accurate description of the goods or services purchased. 20
- 30. Defendant violated Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102(2)(G) by misrepresenting to consumers that they were getting discounts on so-called "leftover asphalt" when there was in fact no discount from an established selling price.
- 31. Defendant violated the HSSA when their door-to-door salespersons did not provide consumers with a written document sufficient to indicate a contract for sale was made, signed by both parties, contained the name and address of the seller, and was provided to the consumer at the time the consumer actually signed the document.<sup>21</sup>

### VI. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

- 32. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(a), the Attorney General may bring a civil action seeking to prevent persons from engaging in the use or employment of any prohibited practices.
- 33. Under the provisions of Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-88-104 and 4-88-113(a)(1), the Attorney General may seek an injunction prohibiting any person from engaging in any deceptive or unlawful practice.
- 34. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(a)(2), the Attorney General may seek to restore to any purchaser who has suffered any ascertainable loss by reason of the use or employment of the prohibited practices any moneys or real property which

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Ark. Code Ann. § 4-89-102(2)(I).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-89-102(2)(I) and 4-89-108(b)(1).

may have been acquired by means of any practice declared to be unlawful by this chapter, together with other damages sustained.

- 35. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(a)(3), any person who violates the provisions of the ADTPA may be assessed a civil penalty of up to \$10,000.00 per violation.
- 36. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(b), the Attorney General may petition the Court to order the suspension or forfeiture of franchises, corporate charters, or other licenses or permits or authorization to do business in this state.
- 37. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(d)(1), "[e]very person who directly or indirectly controls another person who is in violation of or liable under" the ADTPA. Additionally, every partner, officer, or director of another person who is liable thereunder "shall be jointly and severally liable for any penalties assessed and any monetary judgments awarded in any proceeding for civil enforcement of the provisions of" the ADTPA, "provided that the persons to be held jointly and severally liable knew or reasonably should have known of the existence of the facts by reason of which the violation or liability exists."
- 38. Likewise, under the provisions of Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(e), any person who violates the provisions of the ADTPA shall be liable to the office of the Attorney General for all costs and fees, including, but not limited to, expert witness fees and attorneys' fees incurred by the office of the Attorney General in the prosecution of such actions.
- 39. A "person" is an individual, organization, group, association, partnership, corporation, or any combination thereof. Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-102(5).

- 40. Defendant is a "person" who has engaged in unconscionable, false, or deceptive acts or practices in business, commerce, or trade, as alleged herein.
- 41. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-88-201, et seq., Defendant is subject to enhanced additional penalties of \$10,000 per violation for targeting consumers sixty 60 years of age or older, which is payable to the Elder Person and Person with a Disability Victims Fund.
- 42. Pursuant to the HSSA, every violation of the Home Solicitation Sales Act constitutes a violation of the Deceptive Trade Practices Act. Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-105.
  - 43. The Attorney General demands a trial by jury.
- 44. The Attorney General reserves the right to amend the State's Complaint or plead further.

WHEREFORE, the above premises considered, the State of Arkansas, *ex rel*.

Leslie Rutledge, Attorney General, respectfully requests that this Court:

- a. Issue an injunction, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§ 4-88-104 and 4-88-113(a)(1), preventing Defendant from engaging in any deceptive acts or practices;
- b. Issue an order, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(a)(2), requiring

  Defendant to pay consumer restitution to those Arkansas consumers

  affected by the activities outlined herein, including funds paid by

  consumers to other contractors to complete or correct work started by

  Defendant. In addition to, or in the alternative, Defendant should be

- ordered to return all funds received by Defendant as a result of the use of prohibited practices;
- c. Impose civil penalties, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(a)(3), against Defendant in the amount of \$10,000.00 per violation for each violation of the ADTPA proved at the trial of this matter;
- d. Impose enhanced civil penalties pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-201 against Defendant in the amount of \$10,000 per violation committed against an "elder person."<sup>22</sup>
- e. Issue an order, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(b), requiring Defendant to forfeit any corporate charters, licenses, permits, and authorizations to do business in Arkansas which may currently be enjoyed by Defendant.
- f. Issue an order pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(b) preventing

  Defendant from owning, directing, controlling or managing a business
  that performs cement or asphalt paving, repair, building, or
  maintenance in Arkansas.
- g. Issue an order, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 4-88-113(e), requiring

  Defendant to pay the State's costs and fees in this litigation, including,
  but not limited to, attorneys' fees; and
- h. Grant all other relief that may be just and appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

#### LESLIE RUTLEDGE

 $<sup>^{22}</sup>$  An "elder person" is defined as a person who is sixty (60) years of age or older.

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EXHIBIT

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### **CONSUMER COMPLAINT**

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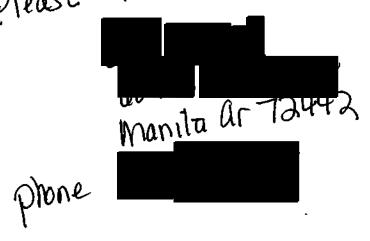
Little Rock, AR 72201-2610

Consumer@ArkansasAG.gov

Please type or print with ink.	A copy of this complaint will be sent to	the party complained against.
Your Name		Robert Stevens Construction Company/Individual Complained Against
Your Address		6906 Manor Crost Drive
Manila AR, 72 City, State, Zip Code	2442	Texar Kana Ar. 71854 City, State, Zip Code
	None	903-949-9642
Your County	Your Home Telephone	Telephone
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Signature of person filing complaint

The following to true to the best of Dear Miss attorney General: Ma. Robert Stevens lied and has continued my recall. to lie to myself and my wells Fargo Dispute Resolution Department as of 7-26-2016 Robert Stevens has not done one thing to correct this matter. This is a situation that has
matter. This is a situation that has
caused myself many a sleepless night worning
about how to pay for somthings. I didn't agree
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# To Whom it May Concern

On april 28,2010 Robert Stevens came to my home at Manila ar. 72442.

He stated he was working on Huy 18 paving, and ask if I wanted my driveway done. I ask how much! His reply one thousand fivehunded dollars (\*1500.00).

I said No, I couldn't at this time!

Robert Stevens returned about 30 minutes Later and said, The got a truck that has a blown air bag and I really need to get it empties and back to the office now about one thousand dollars (\$1000.00). adding cubic this and cubic that? Robert Stovens stated he really needed the work! He left, and returned again:

This time we agreeded on one-thousand

When the work was done, he magically brought out a "round wheel tool" that measured the length of my driveway and now said I owed him three thousand-six hundred dollars, I said, what happened to the onethousand dollars? Probert Stevens replied "ho we used more asphalt! I ask what more asphalt! I ask what more asphalt! I said I coundn't pay that!

Stevens, said OK! three thousanddollars. (\$30000) again I said I couldn't pay!!

I said Just a minute, and turned and went

in my house.

Before I could say anything he (Stevens) had tollowed me in the house. So we started going back and forth about the price! I felt intimidate There was no way to get him out of my home, so I give him my credit card!

I'm 68 years old and did not know what to do !!

I now know I should've call the police! I called

City Hall Later that day, they stated that appearing a Robert Stevens had permits to be working

in the City of Manila ar. that day.

City Hall advise me to call me credit card

Company;

My Wells Fargo Credit Card Company Said that I should call Mr. Stevens and try and work out some king of compromise because I signed the work order. Ihis work order was not signed, given, to me until after all the work was done! and we were going back and forth about the price. I never signed a credit

So I call Mr. Stevens, we agreed on

a return of one thousand-five hundred dollars 448 (\$1500,00) would be credited to my charge (wells Fargo Visa) card! This call Was a very nasty Conversation. I Called Back the Wells Farge Dispute She then try to phone Robert Stevens, (phone voice mail) Phone Police Property (phone voice mail) stated Mr. Stevens called her back and stated he would credit my charge card for one thousand-five hundred dollars! I always though mr. Stevens should've re-funded the (200000) two thousand dollars, no+ (\$150000) one thousand five hundred because we agreeded on one thousand dollars for the job! But Wells Fargo Credi thought differently. 50, I agreeded!

may 4,2016 at 10:06 Aim CST Probert Stevens called again and stated he didn't know how to credit my charge card and that he would send a check for the amount of one thousand five hunded dollars (1500.00) end of call

May 17,2016 Miss Departir from Wells Fargo called and asked if I had received a check from Robert Stevens, I said No! She ask if she could place me on hold and try and have a three way conversation with Stevens, I said yes! came back on the Line stating she had to leave a message, no one answered.

may 19, 2016-

I called the Dispute Department, they stated Probert Stevens had called back and said "he would be mail a check to me for one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1500.00)

May 24, 2016. Wells Forgo Dispute Department = Called = Called = Called asked if I had received a Check! I stated NO! But on May 22,20 at 9:38 P.M. Robert Stovens called again, saying he would be sending a check the next day! 11

May 27, 2016, I have Not Received or spoken to Probert Stevens again!

To the Dispute Department:

I belive Robert Stevens has not handled this work and said charges honestly. Robert Stevens Knew always how long my driveway was and how wuch asphalt was needed to due the job.

This is a dishonest person who has lied to me and your Dispute Department,

are you going to allow this bait and switch scheme, to go on . I'm sixty-eighty years old, single woman on social security. I can only hope you have a grandmother somewhand you would not allow this to happen to her!

-thank you!

PS. Mr. Stevens is supposedly working on Hwy 18 for some asphalf contractor. Mr. Stevens had two trucks, and about 10 men working for him?

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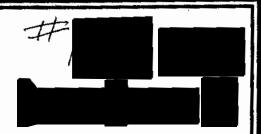
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Roberts Stevens Owner

903-949-9642 6906 Manor Crest Drive \* Texarkana, AR 71854 USA

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Office of Arkansas Attorney General 323 Center Street, Suite 200 Little Rock, AR 72201-2610



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Your Name	Company/Individual Complained Against
Variable	2513 Me PAIN Blvd. 215
Your Address	Address
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City, State, Zip Code	City, State, Zip Code 870-772-0968
LONOKE	903-949-9642
Your County Your Home Telephone	Telephone
Your Work Telephone Your Mobile Telephone	Company Website
Your Email Address/	Name of Salesperson Robert Stevens
May we communicate with you via email? X Yes No	Account Number (if applicable)
Your Age 7D Date of Transaction 5/26+6/1/17	Estimate of dollars involved 4500
Product or Service Involved Asphalt	
Your view as to a fair resolution of this matter: just was	ut one area done repaired.
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I know this was a scam.

I am enclosing paperwork from another person that is dissatified. He had told them that we sent him to them. We did not! I just found out that he was not the one that did the streets in Hummoke.

### RS Asphalt

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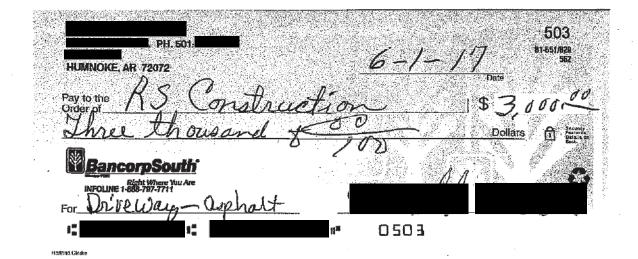
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Your Work Telephone	Your Mobile Telephone	Company Website
		Name of Salesperson ROBERT STEVE
Your Email Address		
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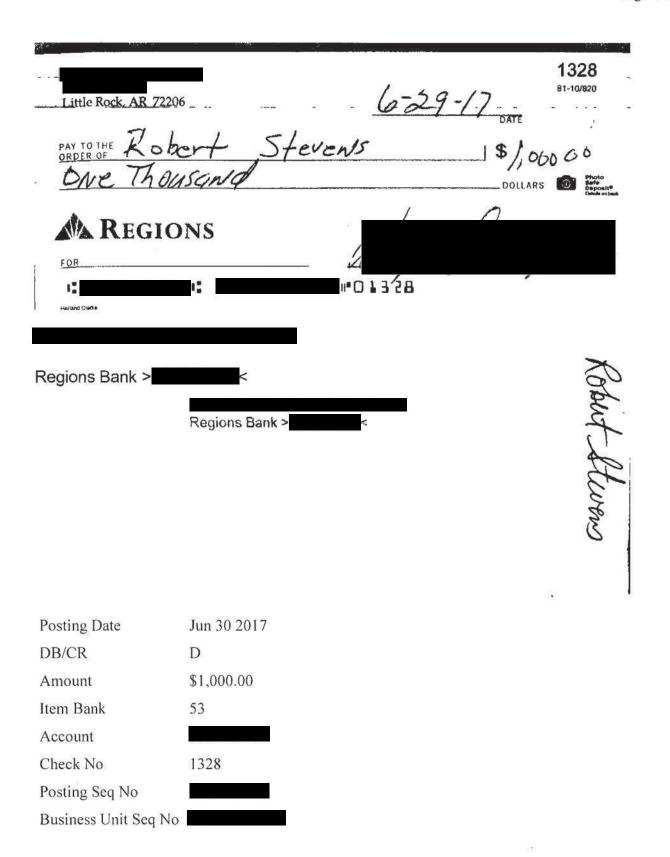
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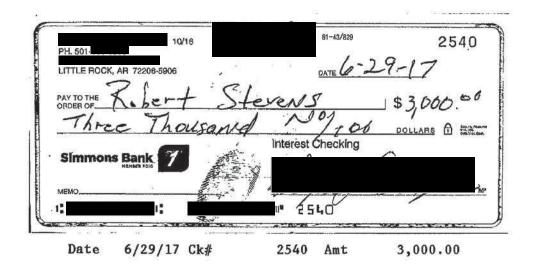
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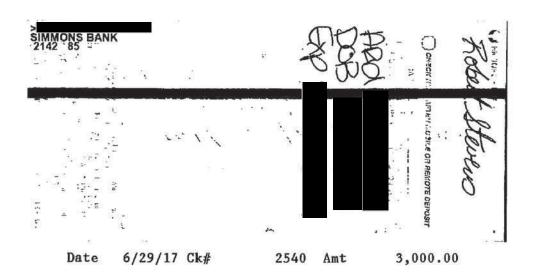
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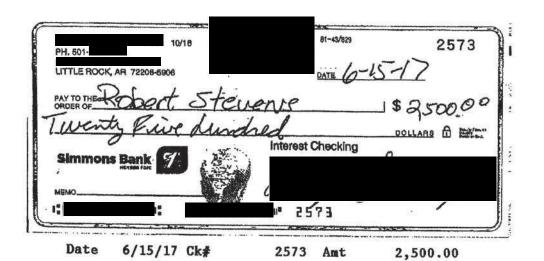
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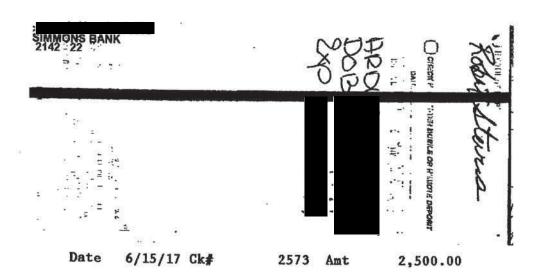
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		Stevens Construction ( rs Asphalt )	
Your Name		Company/Individual Complained Against	
		6906 Manor Crest Dr.	
Your Address		Address	
Texarkana, Ar. 71	854	Texarkana, Ar. 71854	
City, State, Zip Code	,	City, State, Zip Code	
Pulaski		870 772-0968	
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		Name of Salesperson	
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Date 06 / 27 / 2017

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#### AG COMPLAINT FORM ON ASPHALT DRIVE

Came by and said he had leftover asphalt from another job real cheap. I ask how much and he said he didn't know how much asphalt was left in the

truck, so he didn't give a price. He left to go check the truck and I was back inside when I heard some noise out front and when I went out

they had about half of the driveway tore up ( in probably a couple of minutes ) I went out and ask again How Much and again he didn't know.

There was 6 or 8 of them and one of them stayed with me at all times talking and asking questions. He ask for a water hose to wet down the drive

and while I was in the back getting the hose they covered about 1/2 with asphalt and was rolling it down, I ask the one with me how much is this

going to cost and he said probably around \$1500 and in a little while they had put asphalt on all the drive and changed the old driveway until

it covered the water meter and is about 4 feet over the next door driveway. They followed me up on the deck with one in front and one behind and

started demanding payment right now. Boss said check, told him I didn't have money in the bank and he said you have to come up with it right now.

I remembered a master card was in my billfold that hasn't been used in years so I gave it to him and told him I didn't know the limit on it so

he took it to his SUV and ran it. Then he came back on the deck and told the other one to give me a contract and to make it for \$5400. I never

gave them permission to even start work in the first place. They just came back and started. I call master card and canceled, then when I

receiver a letter from master card suggesting to file a police report I Did. Dug the water meter lid out and ask the water company for a

extension to raise the lid up with the asphalt. Can't do anything about it covering up part of the next door driveway. There was a space of about

a foot and one half between the two driveways, This was where the water meter was before they changed the driveway.

Also he measured the driveway at 181 feet, I have a rolling wheel for fence jobs in the past and I measured 140 feet on the inside / 150 feet in

the middle and 160 feet on the very outside following all the bow outs. If this Con Artist can be Stopped I would Appreciate it Very Much

\*\*\* ( I have a after the fact contract / rs construction business card / copy where he charged the master card, but don't how to attach them.)

For him to be jailed and banned from scamming people in Arkansas.

If not, he should have to pay for a Real Asphalt Company to tear out this mess with asphalt 4 inches thick in some places

and 3/4 to 1 inch thick in others. and then asphalted right in line with the old gravel drive and uncover the water meter .

STEVENS CONSTRUCTION 6906 MANOR CREST DRIVE TEXARKANA, AR 71854 PHONE #(877) 744-3301

#### SALE

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06/19/17

REF#: 00000001

Bank ID: 6001 Batch #: 170001

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APPR CODE: MASTERCARD

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**APPROVED** 

THANK YOU HAVE A NICE DAY

CUSTOMER COPY

Paving

Driveway

☐ Striping

Clay Basing

The price per sq. yard is:

Every 10 sq. yard is:

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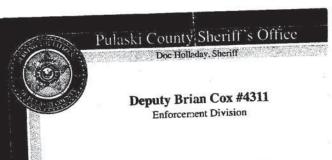
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Mobile Phone	Work Phone	Salesperson
May we communicate with you v	via email? 🗌 Yes 🗹 No	Account number (if applicable)
Are you active duty military?	☐ Yes ☑ No	Estimate of dollars involved 4 4, 980.00
Are you a veteran?	☐ Yes ☑ No	Product or service involved RS Asphalt, DRIVEWAY
Do you have a disability?	☐ Yes ☑ No	Date of transaction 6 - 26 - 2017
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as for as a fair resolution as you can see it signed it. I would like some of my money back and a seal coating laid down. I just hope with all my heart that Mr. Stevens does not take advantage of anyone else.

Thank You

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### **CONSUMER COMPLAINT**

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**EXHIBIT** 

	Consumer@ArkansasAG.gov
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Your Name	Company/Individual Complained Against
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Your view as to a fair resolution of this matter:RETURN	\$2500,00
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Signature of person filing complaint

## RS Asphalt

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Are you active duty military?	☐ Yes 🖾 No	Product or service involved A3PHALT PAVING
Are you a veteran?	☑ Yes ☐ No	Product or service involved A3PHALT PAVING
Do you have a disability?	☐ Yes ☑ No	Date of transaction 30 July 2019
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I was interested in getting my driveway sealed, so when I saw Pro Pave asphalting my neighbors driveway, I went over and asked them for a quote on sealing my driveway. I didn't hear from them for about a week. Then one morning he stopped by and said he had a little mat'l left from a job and do I want him to spread to on my driveway at \$30.00 yd and no labor cost. I asked him how many yards he had, and he said he couldn't remove the curtains to see. So I let him get started and when he started one of his guys had me go on the other side of my house so I couldn't see what they were doing. He kept me distracted almost the whole time he was laying the asphalt. When about 3/4 of the way thru, the owner came over to me and said you know a yard is 3ft X3ft? I said yes, I failed to realize at that time he had changed it from yards of mat'l. the square yards of area. I told him at that time that was a lot more mat'l than a little left over from a previous job. When he saw I was mad he told me the cost \$16,000.00 and had his guy tell me that one of his employees was a ex heavyweight boxer, (imitation). So I paid him. Then I saw a segment on channel 7 about seven on your side on how this guy did the same thing to a older couple. So I called Jason Peterson.

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Jason came out and interviewed me and told me would do a segment on my problem, of which he did. Jason then called Robert Stevens and told him he should settle with me because that was more than the asphalt association said it was worth. Robert then called me and we settled on a \$5000.00 refund.



# Pro-Pave Asphalt 844-459-5958

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### **Edith Collins**

consumer@arkansasag.gov From: Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 4:17 PM **Consumer Division** To: Consumer Complaint Form Submission **Subject: Categories:** Billing Dispute/Purchase Prefix Mr. Your name **Age** 33 Your address City Gravette State Arkansas **Zip code** 72736 Home phone Mobile phone Work phone **Email** No Email Communication Not checked **Military History** Do you have a disability? No Who are you filing a Pro-Pave complaint against? Company/individual address City State

EXHIBIT 10

903-293-1636
Robert Stevens
Paving
August 26, 2019
9400.00

**Explain the circumstances** An individual with Pro-Pave approached me today and said that they have surrounding your complaint. finished a job at a nearby construction site and they have leftover asphalt that they are trying to offload before it cools and it would be perfect for a driveway, and they would provide it at a steeply discounted rate.

> I told them that I did not own the property, but they could come out to my home on and quote the job. I asked how much they had, and he said that they it would do a small driveway.

They showed up at my house very quickly and before I could assert what I wanted, they had already begun working. I was able to get them to slow down and listen for a moment and try to discuss money with them, but they kept saying it would be a "great deal" and that I would be "very happy."

I continued to try and understand how much it would cost, but I could not get any meaningful information. The entire paving job was done in less than 2 hours, with little regard to myself.

Every time I tried to get information, I was pushed aside and felt myself a bit threatened by the people who I was trying to understand cost and services.

When they finished I asked them for the amount again and they started to arbitrarily do some calculations and presented me with a \$9488 bill. I protested but they got confrontational and tried to follow me into the house. I figured the safest thing to do was to write them a check, which I did, so they would leave.

I put in a stop payment shortly thereafter and I have been in contact with the police. They are now incessantly calling me, as they tried to cash the check directly at a branch of my bank.

I believe this company has done this scam at least once, if not many times

	before.
	By his original numbers that he tossed around, I calculated that it would cost about \$3000 for paving the amount that they stated they had available. I would consider paying that if a verifiable and honorable warranty on the asphalt can be provided.
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